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ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

TOWN OF EPSOM



FOR THE

FISCAL YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 15

1912

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ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE TOWN OF

EPSOM, N. H.

COMPRISING THE REPORTS OF

SELECTMEN, TREASURER, AUDITORS,
LIBRARY TRUSTEES, BOARD OF EDUCATION,
SUPERVISOR OF SCHOOLS

AND

SCHOOL DISTRICT TREASURER

FOR THE

FISCAL YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 15, 1912

AND THE

VITAL STATISTICS

FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1911

CONCORD, N. H.
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1912

TOWN OFFICERS.

Moderator.

WALTER H. TRIPP.

Selectmen.

WALTER J. PHILBRICK.

MINOT R. YEATON.

BERTEL R. FOSS.

Town Clerk.

MAURICE C. PHILBRICK.

Town Treasurer.

BENJAMIN M. TOWLE.

Collector of Taxes.

FRED W. YEATON.

Highway Agents.

District No. 1. ALBERT D. SHERBURNE.

District No. 2, NORMAN H. MUNROE.

District No. 2, JAMES E. PHILBRICK.

District No. 4, BENJAMIN M. TOWLE.

Supervisors of Checklists.

CHARLES F. HAYNES.

BENJAMIN M. TOWLE.

SAMUEL R. YEATON.

Ballot Inspectors.

JAMES W. FOWLER.
 EDWIN R. YEATON.
 JOHN W. COX.
 CHARLES A. BROWN.

Trustees of Public Library.

JOHN H. DOLBEER.*
 WARREN TRIPP.
 ROSCOE HILL.

Board of Health.

ROSCOE HILL, M. D.
 CHARLES W. LEIGHTON.
 JOSIAH C. LEAR.

Board of Education.

LIZZIE F. FOWLER.
 JOHN W. COX.
 CHARLES A. BROWN.

School District Treasurer.

ANNIE M. FOWLER.

Supervisor of Schools.

OTIS H. ADAMS.

Truant Officer.

CHARLES W. LEIGHTON.

Auditors.

SAMUEL R. YEATON.
 JOHN H. DOLBEER.*

Constable.

ALMON M. WORTH.

*Deceased. Charles F. Haynes appointed library trustee. Edgar E. Wells appointed auditor.

REPORT OF THE SELECTMEN.

In 1909 the town appropriated \$150.00 to build a shed at the town house. The matter has been put over from year to year, as it has been found that a shed, such as is needed, cannot be built for that sum of money. The road machine, road roller, ploughs, scrapers, drags and all tools belonging to the town need to be housed and a larger appropriation is recommended.

An iron and cement bridge has been built at Slab City at a cost of \$718.75, exceeding the appropriation by \$218.75. It was found that a safe bridge could not be built within the appropriation.

The money for state highway was expended upon the Black Hall road. To widen and straighten it a small strip of land was bought of Albert O. Ordway at a cost of \$10.00. The work has not been completed and we recommend that an appropriation be made to continue it.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

APPROPRIATIONS.

State tax,	\$1,365.00
County tax,	1,176.21
Repairing highway and bridges,	1,600.00
New bridge at Slab City,	500.00
Town charges,	300.00
Public library,	60.00
Old Home Week Association,	50.00
Memorial Day,	25.00
Schools,	1,677.50
Books and supplies,	150.00
Repairing schoolhouses,	100.00

High school tuition,	\$350.00
Teaching vocal music,	150.00
Supervisor of schools,	200.00
Overlay,	115.04
Total,	<hr/> \$7,818.75

INVENTORY.

Number of polls, 204,	\$20,400.00
Number of horses, 245,	18,296.00
Number of oxen, 38,	2,972.00
Number of cows, 592,	19,142.00
Number of neat stock, 139,	3,457.00
Number of sheep, 83,	285.00
Automobiles,	1,500.00
Bank stock,	1,900.00
Stock in trade,	18,535.00
Mills and machinery,	2,350.00
Land and buildings,	266,466.00
Total,	<hr/> \$355,303.00

Rate of taxation on each \$100 valuation, \$2.20.

RECEIPTS.

Balance in treasury, February 15, 1911,	\$1,627.04
Remaining on C. M. Steele's tax list,	15.00
Remaining on C. A. Brown's tax list,	13.85
Remaining on W. H. Tripp's tax list,	290.45
Committed to Fred W. Yeaton for collection,	7,852.42
State treasurer, savings bank tax,	1,793.37
proportion of school fund,	306.11
building highway,	254.16
railroad tax,	221.01
insurance tax,	18.00
literary fund,	93.06
burial of D. G. Emerson,	30.00
one-half expense of forest fires,	10.40

Merrimack county, aid for Lesperance children,	\$86.03
burial of D. G. Emerson,	12.00
medical attendance, D. G. Emerson,	2.00
By note, May 27, Eliza Philbrick,	500.00
By note, May 27, Walter J. Philbrick,	300.00
By note, August 1, Mary P. Philbrick,	1,000.00
Town clerk, dog licenses,	138.27
W. H. Knowles, use of hearse,	3.00
C. A. Brown, interest on taxes,	3.24
C. O. Wells, barrel of cement,	2.25
Rent of town hall,	1.00
Chesley trust fund in treasury, February 15, 1911,	50.00
Clough trust fund in treasury, February 15, 1911,	50.00
Brackett trust fund in treasury, February 15, 1911,	50.00
Swain trust fund in treasury, February 15, 1911,	50.00
Griffin trust fund in treasury, February 15, 1911,	50.00
Brown trust fund in treasury, February 15, 1911,	100.00
Dowst trust fund in treasury, February 15, 1911,	100.00
Total,	<hr/> \$15,022.66

DISBURSEMENTS.

Solon A. Carter, state tax,	\$1,365.00
Frederick A. Holmes, county tax,	1,176.21
Annie M. Fowler, school appropriation,	3,265.87
Albert D. Sherburne, road agent,	517.20
James E. Philbrick, road agent,	525.00
Norman H. Munroe, road agent,	515.28

Benjamin M. Towle, road agent,	\$168.40
Benjamin M. Towle, building state road,	882.34
United Construction Company, building bridge,	698.00
Walter J. Philbrick, services as selectman,	80.00
Minot R. Yeaton, services as selectman,	70.00
Bertel R. Foss, services as selectman,	60.00
Maurice C. Philbrick, services as clerk,	30.00
Benjamin M. Towle, services as treasurer,	30.00
Samuel R. Yeaton, services as auditor,	1.50
Lizzie F. Fowler, services as school committee,	15.00
John W. Cox, services as school committee,	15.00
Charles A. Brown, services as school committee,	15.00
Annie M. Fowler, services as school treasurer, 1910 and 1911,	10.00
Charles W. Leighton, services as truant offi- cer,	15.45
Almon M. Worth, services as constable,	5.00
Fred W. Yeaton, services as collector of taxes, in part,	50.00
Blanchard H. Fowler, Old Home Week appro- priation,	50.00
James W. Marden, Memorial Day appropria- tion,	25.00
Roscoe Hill, library appropriation,	60.00
Ernest L. Heath, public watering place, 1910 and 1911,	6.00
Horace W. Edmunds, public watering place,	3.00
Albert L. Brown, public watering place,	3.00
Charles S. Hall, public watering place,	3.00
Charles H. Palmer, public watering place,	3.00
Samuel R. Yeaton, public watering place,	3.00
Edwin R. Yeaton, interest on note,	40.00
Daniel G. Chesley, interest on note,	15.75
Charles R. Dutton, interest on note,	17.50
Vienna Batchelder, interest on note,	14.00
Mary P. Philbrick, interest on note,	21.67
Eliza Philbrick, interest on note,	15.00

Walter J. Philbrick, interest and note in full,	\$309.00
Hester A. Fiske, interest and note in full, of Benjamin Freese,	283.02
Rumford Printing Company, printing town re- ports,	23.40
J. B. Varick Company, repairs for road plough,	21.25
Daniel F. Cronin, picking moths,	64.03
Burnham, Brown, Jones & Warren, cost of court in Suncook Mills case,	119.78
Edson C. Eastman, invoice and tax books,	15.00
Orrin M. James, repairing state road,	3.75
Walter J. Philbrick, cash paid at three forest fires,	20.80
Minot R. Yeaton and helper, drawing bridge iron,	5.00
Charles H. Palmer, drawing crushed stone to bridge,	1.75
Robert C. Brown, repairing guide board in 1909,	.50
J. E. Everingham, returning marriage certifi- cates,	.50
Augustus R. Toothacre, returning marriage cer- tificates,	1.25
John W. Yeaton, resetting underpinning and grading around town house,	7.00
John H. Dolbeer, renewing insurance on library and contents,	32.50
Albert A. Ordway, land,	10.00
Northeast Metal Culvert Company, 138 feet 10-inch culvert pipe,	89.95
Minot R. Yeaton, freight on pipe,	1.82
George H. Burnham, bridge plank,	38.88
Benjamin M. Towle, bridge plank,	38.01
Daniel G. Chesley, posts, stringers and plank,	35.57
Daniel G. Chesley, sheep killed by dogs,	6.00
Moses Q. Burnham, blacksmith work,	11.81
Maurice C. Philbrick, election ballots and ex- press,	5.50

Samuel W. Bickford, gravel to resurface state road,	\$15.00
James A. Bickford, burial of D. G. Emerson,	42.00
W. H. Tripp, & Co., supplies for Lesperance children,	86.03
C. B. Rogers & Co., oak stringers for Deer Brook bridge,	12.50
Roscoe Hill, services at inquest of D. G. Emerson,	2.00
Walter J. Philbrick, services and cash paid out at inquest of D. G. Emerson,	6.00
Walter J. Philbrick, expense of attending five railroad meetings,	14.70
Walter J. Philbrick, cash paid recording deed,	.62
Walter J. Philbrick, attendance at tax commission meeting,	2.75
Minot R. Yeaton, attendance at tax commission meeting,	2.75
Bertel R. Foss, attendance at tax commission meeting,	2.75
Charles M. Steele, balance for collecting taxes,	15.00
Horace Fowler, posts and railing for state road,	23.50
William H. Knowles, attending funerals with hearse,	21.00
Maurice C. Philbrick, recording vital statistics, stationery and postage,	15.23
Charles A. Brown, abatements on tax list,	9.75
Charles A. Brown, balance for collecting taxes,	15.00
Genella C. Knowles, dinners for town officers and horses,	15.50
Roscoe Hill, reporting births and deaths, board of health and cemetery accounts,	28.50
Fred W. Yeaton, abatements on tax list,	17.60
Maxfield & Sanborn, wire fencing,	10.00
E. A. Ayer, care of 58 tramps,	20.30
Hollis Hall, mowing McClary cemetery,	3.25

Hollis Hall, digging grave of Nancy A. Doe, January 11, 1909,	\$5.00
Silver & Hall, spikes, pick handles, axe and handle delivered to B. M. Towle,	3.20
Total,	<hr/> \$11,326.17

Respectfully submitted,

WALTER J. PHILBRICK,
MINOT R. YEATON,
BERTEL R. FOSS,

Selectmen.

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT.

DISTRICT No. 1, A. D. SHERBURNE, AGENT.

Winter work, 1911,	\$14.30	
Winter work, 1912,	16.55	
Carting, picking rocks, cutting bushes,		
repairing bridges,	362.70	
Repairing state road,	53.00	
Picking moths,	70.65	
Gravel,	15.00	
Labor of Orrin James,	3.75	
Culvert pipe, 90 feet in front of C. S.		
Hall's office,	60.00	
Total,		\$595.95

DISTRICT No. 2, J. E. PHILBRICK, AGENT.

Labor and cash paid for labor,	\$372.00	
Machine work,	99.00	
Picking moths,	18.60	
Taking down old bridge and grading		
new,	14.00	
Breaking roads,	21.40	
Bridge at Slab City,	650.00	
Raising abutments for bridge,	48.00	
Hauling bridge iron and crushed stone,	6.75	
Material for new bridge near D. G.		
Chesley's,	35.57	
Total,		\$1,265.32

DISTRICT No. 3, N. H. MUNROE, AGENT.

Machine work,	\$120.02
Carting grade and picking rocks,	285.61
Repairing culverts,	40.00
Gravel,	9.25
Breaking roads,	9.90
Picking moths,	50.50
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Total,	\$515.28

DISTRICT No. 4, B. M. TOWLE, AGENT.

Cutting bushes,	\$32.00
Carting, picking rocks and repairing bridges,	107.00
Picking moths,	29.40
Culvert pipe, 48 feet,	31.77
Wire fencing,	10.00
Bridge plank,	76.89
Posts and railings for state road,	23.50
State road,	955.78
Tools,	3.20
Stringers, Deer Brook bridge,	12.50
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Total,	\$1,282.04
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Total cost of highways,	\$3,658.59
In excess of appropriations,	\$1,304.43

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE, HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT.

STATEMENT OF JOINT FUND ACCOUNT.

Town contribution,	\$546.00
State contribution,	327.60
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Total joint fund,	\$873.60

Town disbursements approved,	\$822.34	
State disbursements approved,	73.44	
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Total disbursements,		\$955.78
Paid by state, to town,	\$254.16	
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Overdraft,		\$82.18

REPORT OF THE TREASURER.

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To balance in treasury, February 15, 1911,	\$1,627.04
trust funds,	450.00
county account,	100.03
cash by notes,	1,800.00
state fire account,	10.40
rent of town hall,	1.00
state highway,	254.16
state burial of D. G. Emerson,	30.00
state treasurer, railroad tax,	221.00
state treasurer, insurance tax,	18.00
savings bank tax,	1,793.37
literary fund,	93.06
proportion of school fund,	306.11
use of hearse,	3.00
cash by dog licenses,	138.27
one barrel of cement,	2.25
C. M. Steele, collector for 1908,	15.00
C. A. Brown, collector for 1909,	13.85
C. A. Brown, interest on 1909 account,	3.24
W. H. Tripp, collector for 1910,	250.00
F. W. Yeaton, collector for 1911,	7,371.60
Total,	\$14,501.39

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By selectmen's orders from 1 to 105 inclusive,	\$11,326.17
trust funds,	450.00
balance in treasury,	2,725.22
Total,	\$14,501.39

Respectfully submitted,

BENJAMIN M. TOWLE,

Town Treasurer.

EPSOM, N. H., February 15, 1912.

REPORT OF THE AUDITORS.

Indebtedness by note, February 15, 1912,	\$3,850.00
Trust funds for care of cemeteries,	450.00
Due school district, dog tax,	132.27
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Total,	\$4,432.27

ASSETS.

Remaining on Fred W. Yeaton's tax list for 1911,	\$480.82	
Remaining on W. H. Tripp's tax list list for 1910,	40.45	
Trust funds,	450.00	
Balance in treasury,	2,725.22	
Total,	<hr/>	3,696.49
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Debt of town,		\$735.78

We hereby certify that we have examined the accounts of the selectmen and treasurer of the town of Epsom and found them correctly cast and supported by proper vouchers.

SAMUEL R. YEATON,
EDGAR E. WELLS,

Auditors.

EPSOM, N. H., February 15, 1912.

REPORT OF BOARD OF HEALTH.

Paid for fumigating and material used,	\$3.00	
C. W. Leighton, services	2.00	
	<hr/>	\$5.00
Received of town, .		\$5.00

Respectfully submitted,

C. W. LEIGHTON,
J. C. LEAR,
ROSCOE HILL,

Board of Health.

EPSOM, N. H., February 15, 1912.

REPORT OF CEMETERY TRUSTEES.

Cash on hand February 14, 1911,	\$192.03	
Received of town,	18.50	
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Paid Hiram Holmes, care of lot and work		
in cemetery,	\$4.50	
S. W. Bickford, care of lot,	3.00	
Hollis Hall, care of lots and mowing		
cemetery,	9.50	
For plants,	1.50	
	<hr/>	18.50

Balance,	<hr/>	\$192.03
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Respectfully submitted,

JOSEPH LAWRENCE,
ROSCOE HILL,
HIRAM HOLMES,
Trustees.

EPSOM, N. H., February 15, 1912.

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE PUBLIC LIBRARY.

Balance on hand February 15, 1911,	\$31.18	
Town appropriation,	60.00	
Interest from Webster fund,	40.00	
Fines,	2.24	
	<hr/>	\$133.42

Paid Helen G. Towle, librarian,	\$30.00	
for books,	43.97	
express on books,	.75	
wood and lights,	3.00	
lamps for library,	4.03	
G. H. Burnham, lumber, for repair		
of walk,	1.69	
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Balance,	<hr/> \$49.98
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Respectfully submitted,

WARREN TRIPP,
ROSCOE HILL,
CHARLES F. HAYNES,
Trustees.

EPSOM, N. H., February 15, 1912.

REPORT OF TREASURER OF EPSOM
OLD HOME WEEK ASSOCIATION.

Balance on hand,	\$5.85
Received town appropriation,	50.00
for ice cream,	13.10

\$68.95

Paid J. B. Clark Company, printing,	\$1.75
T. J. Dyer, printing,	3.00
T. J. Dyer, express,	.25
J. W. Warden,	4.00
G. F. Georgi, ice cream,	10.00
McClary Grange, orchestra,	15.00
W. H. Tripp & Co., supplies and express,	7.50
B. H. Fowler, milk and labor,	5.00
W. W. Prescott,	10.00
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	\$56.50

Balance on hand,	\$12.45
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B. H. FOWLER,
Treasurer.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION.

We have maintained six schools the past year. Last spring the Mountain school was so small that it was necessary to close it and have the pupils conveyed to other schools, nearly all attending the New Rye school.

Agreeable to a vote of the district at the school meeting in March to unite with other districts in forming a supervisory district, the school board accepted a very cordial invitation from the towns of Pembroke and Hooksett to unite with them. Mr. Otis H. Adams, who was holding the position of superintendent in those towns was elected as superintendent for the new district for the year beginning July 15, 1911. It has proved a very satisfactory arrangement, and the schools are progressing. The most of our teachers have remained with us the entire year. There has been only one complete change in books, those being the language books. We have bought some geographies and other much needed readers.

We have had the Short Falls schoolhouse shingled, the Center schoolhouse painted inside and made several other minor repairs that were necessary. The enumeration of the children in the district between the ages of five and sixteen years gave eighty-five boys and fifty-two girls, a total of one hundred and thirty-seven. For the amount to be raised for high school tuition and books and supplies, we would recommend \$400 for high school tuition and \$150 for books and supplies.

For further information we refer you to the superintendent's report, and the statistics.

Respectfully submitted,

LIZZIE F. FOWLER,

JOHN W. COX,

CHARLES A. BROWN,

School Board.

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS.

To the School Board and Citizens of Epsom:

I herewith submit my first annual report as superintendent of schools. My time of service covers less than six months of actual school work so it is much too early to speak of results. A presentation of conditions as I found them with predictions of possible results may be interesting.

Six schools were opened in September with six willing teachers, all desirous to aid in plans for supervision. Without exception, my work has been greatly facilitated by this corps of workers who had been almost entirely without experience in working with a superintendent.

A hurried visit was made to each school in May, but the actual work of supervision began in September. Proceeding slowly and with careful consideration of each problem, almost the first duty was the imperative one of grading pupils, of reducing the large number of recitations, of getting the individual pupil into the classes where he could make the best of himself and to assist the teacher in making programs where there would be no lost time.

A considerable number of pupils were found whose age and length of time in school might have prepared them for the high school or academy last year under other conditions. The work of getting this class into shape for a higher school is an important one this year and if it is done satisfactorily, it will reflect credit on the several teachers with eighth grades.

No claim is made that mistakes were not made in grading the schools, but each pupil was and is being studied carefully by the superintendent and if thought to be mature enough for higher or more advanced work, the teacher is

consulted and the child given his chance. Many cases have been found and children given opportunity of advancing with higher classes. The good effects of grading and close study of the needs of the individual with reduced number of daily recitations for each teacher are already manifest.

No list of working tools, books, supplies, or maps was found and classes were seriously handicapped for lack of material, sometimes lying idle in another school and often not in stock. As early as was possible, an inventory was made of all books, an account opened with each school, a record kept of all supplies issued, and a system of exchange of books between schools by the superintendent was begun. The books have been listed, classified, graded and stamped and a central stock room opened at Short Falls. A complete account is kept by the superintendent and each teacher has a copy of the account against her school. It is evident that many books have been lost in past days, but under this system, each teacher is held responsible for all books charged to her school and shrinkages except as books are worn out should be small.

A year ago your school board made a wise choice in selecting a new speller for the schools. In the summer the old language books and grammars were replaced by newer books that conform closely to the state course of study. The arithmetics and part of the histories in use are excellent books. New geographies should replace the old ones as soon as possible and additions need to be made to the work in music. The greatest need in books was and still is in amount of suitable reading material, particularly in the lower grades. But three copies of first grade readers were found in all the schools. The practice of putting first-year children into second-grade readers soon after entering school is responsible for much of the poor reading that is found. One set of new readers has been purchased for each of the first four grades, but this is only a beginning of what is needed to be done. An adequate supply cannot be fur-

nished in one year or two, but with a careful expenditure of available funds, each year and the purchasing of books suited to the needs of the respective classes along definite lines, desired results may be reached. The average length of life of books in upper grades is about seven years and in the lower grades about three years, so allowances must always be made for keeping up stock.

I have made the better teaching of primary reading a work of great importance. Teachers were found teaching beginners by the a, b, c, method, a method long since condemned by all educators, and in the teaching of which one to two years is always lost from the first years at school. Any system that gives children large recognizable vocabularies, in the shortest possible space of time, that teaches reading with expression and that gives ability to read with ease is what the schools need. The word, sentence and phonic method was introduced early in the year and the first grade is already reading their first book, generally with pleasure and ease. Today nearly every scholar in this class has a vocabulary of from one hundred to two hundred fifty words and at the end of the year no child of average ability, with careful work by the teacher, should have less than five to eight hundred words in his vocabulary. As teachers become more skilful and experienced each child finishing the first year should have from fourteen to sixteen hundred words that he can recognize and use. All familiar with former ways of teaching primary reading, know this is a great advance and will save children one or two years' loss of time in their school days.

Other important work has been done by teachers and superintendent towards unifying and making more serviceable the work in spelling, arithmetic and history.

Your superintendent feels greatly encouraged over the prospects in Epsom. The parents are interested, the children are worthy, the teachers are reliable. The present policy, consistently followed with the growing sympathy of all parents and taxpayers, will prove, beyond question,

in a short time its value to the school children of the town. Careful, constant oversight and direction from some one who has both time and knowledge of modern needs is required with the keeping in service so far as is possible of all faithful teachers.

My official and personal reception in Epsom has been most pleasant and encouraging. The school board through its chairman, has been a constant help and encouragement.

Respectfully submitted,

O. H. ADAMS.

February 8, 1912.

REPORT OF TREASURER OF SCHOOL DISTRICT.

Balance in treasury February 15, 1911,	\$22.21
Received of town:	
school appropriation,	\$1,677.50
repairs,	100.00
teaching singing,	150.00
superintendent,	200.00
books and supplies,	150.00
high school tuition,	350.00
dog tax for 1909,	120.00
dog tax for 1910,	119.20
Received from state:	
literary fund,	93.06
superintendent,	200.00
rebate on high school tuition,	106.11
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	\$3,288.08
Paid salaries of teachers,	\$1,789.00
superintendent,	200.00
tuition,	508.94
books and supplies,	151.02
repairs,	137.51
conveyance,	112.50
janitors,	10.00
wood and fitting,	59.15
bills of 1910,	116.91
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	\$3,085.03
Balance in treasury,	\$203.05
Remainder superintendent's salary for the year,	\$200.00
School money,	\$3.05

ANNIE M. FOWLER,
Treasurer.

Having examined the accounts of the treasurer of Epsom school board I find them correctly cast and supported by proper vouchers.

SAMUEL R. YEATON,
Auditor.

EPSOM, N. H., February 19, 1912.

ROLL OF HONOR.

The following children were not absent from school for the number of terms indicated by the figure following name:

SHORT FALLS.

Hazel Bickford, 3,	Howard Bickford, 3,
Edward Elliott, 3,	Harold Tripp, 3,
Charles Stevens, 3,	Percy Elliott, 2,
Roger Fowler, 2,	Clifton Spurlin, 2,
Gladys Stewart, 2,	George Yeaton, 2,
Percy Batchelder, 1,	Chester Batchelder, 1,
Alice Dow, 1,	Warren Fowler, 1,
Hiram Lovejoy, 1,	Maude Elliott, 1,
Howard Ring, 1,	Vera Pierce, 1,
Raymond Ring, 1,	Ernest Stewart, 1,
	Maurice Yeaton, 1.

NEW RYE.

Scott Munroe, 3,	Madeleine Brown, 2,
Thelma Dutton, 2,	Beatrice Morin, 2,
Mary Hunt, 1,	Natalie Knox, 1,
Gladys Murby, 1,	Iva Murby, 1,
Marion Pierce, 1,	Sumner Pierce, 1,
Ramon Howard, 1,	Ralph Stanton, 1.

GOSSVILLE.

Hazel MacKenzie, 3,	Hester Bickford, 2,
Oscar Davis, 2.	Doris Waterhouse, 2,
Matthew Yeaton, 2,	Ida Davis, 1,
Ernest Duguay, 1,	William Etheridge, 1,
Harris Mason, 1,	Leon Ordway, 1,
Helen Ordway, 1,	Amelia Spiess, 1,
Clara Tallman, 1,	Marie Warren, 1,
Millard Yeaton, 1.	

CENTER.

Ellsworth Philbrick, 3,	Hazel Philbrick, 3,
Forrest Ambrose, 1,	Frank Ambrose, 1,
Gertrude Ambrose, 1,	Watson Ambrose, 1,
Ernest Collins, 1,	James Steele, 1.

NEW ORCHARD.

Samuel Stanley, 2,	Susie Clark, 1,
Mildred Little, 1.	

NORTH ROAD.

Mary Wheeler, 3,	Sarah Wheeler, 3,
Louis Demers, 2,	George Kelley, 2,
Almira Wheeler, 2,	Charles Wheeler, 2,
Frank Sullivan, 1,	Lottie Wheeler, 1,
Thomas Yeaton, 1.	

SPECIAL ROLL OF HONOR.

Neither absent nor tardy for the year 1910-1911:
 Short Falls.—Hazel Bickford, Howard Bickford, Harold
 Tripp.

Center.—Ellsworth Philbrick.

SCHOOL STATISTICS.

School.	Term.	Teacher.	Term commenced.	Term ended.	Salary per month.	Number of weeks.	Boys.	Girls.	Total.	Per cent. of attendance.	Number of visitors.	Visits by superintendent.
Short Falls.....	1	Hattie E. Merrill.....	Mar. 27, 1911	June 9, 1911	\$40.00	11	19	6	25	96.3	20	1
	2	Hattie E. Merrill.....	Sept. 11, 1911	Nov. 24, 1911	40.00	11	18	5	23	97.3	11	8
	3	Hattie E. Merrill.....	Dec. 11, 1911	Feb. 2, 1912	40.00	8	17	5	22	95.9	14	5
New Rye.....	1	Mittie J. Smith.....	Mar. 27, 1911	June 9, 1911	40.00	11	8	10	18	84.7	31	6
	2	Mittie J. Smith.....	Sept. 11, 1911	Nov. 24, 1911	40.00	11	11	12	23	93.1	27	6
	3	Mittie J. Smith.....	Dec. 11, 1911	Feb. 2, 1912	40.00	8	8	9	17	87.7	21	5
Gosville.....	1	Anna M. Scott.....	Mar. 27, 1911	June 9, 1911	36.00	11	16	17	33	89.6	22	7
	2	Anna M. Scott.....	Sept. 11, 1911	Nov. 24, 1911	36.00	11	21	17	38	90.8	33	1
	3	Anna M. Scott.....	Dec. 11, 1911	Feb. 2, 1912	40.00	8	20	16	36	87.5	26	5
Center.....	1	Bessie A. Smith.....	Mar. 27, 1911	June 9, 1911	36.00	11	12	5	17	89.8	21	1
	2	Nellie E. Merrill.....	Sept. 11, 1911	Nov. 24, 1911	36.00	11	11	6	17	90.1	18	6
	3	Nellie E. Merrill.....	Dec. 11, 1911	Feb. 2, 1912	36.00	8	10	4	14	92.9	14	5
New Orchard....	1	Nancy A. Walker.....	Mar. 17, 1911	June 9, 1911	32.00	11	4	5	9	86.2	26	1
	2	Nancy A. Walker.....	Sept. 11, 1911	Nov. 24, 1911	32.00	11	4	5	9	96.3	16	6
	3	Nancy A. Walker.....	Dec. 11, 1911	Feb. 2, 1912	32.00	8	4	6	10	92.8	24	4
North Road.....	1	Bertha I. Tasker.....	Apr. 10, 1911	June 23, 1911	36.00	11	7	4	11	92.7	13	1
	2	Laura M. Young.....	Sept. 11, 1911	Nov. 24, 1911	32.00	11	6	6	12	92.3	23	6
	3	Laura M. Young.....	Dec. 2, 1911	Feb. 2, 1912	32.00	8	6	5	11	96.8	32	4

VITAL STATISTICS.

TO THE SELECTMEN OF EPSOM: In compliance with an act of the Legislature passed June session, 1877, requiring "clerks of towns and cities to furnish a transcript of the record of births, marriages and deaths to the municipal officers for publication in the annual reports," I submit the following:

BIRTHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF EPSOM FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1911.

Date of birth.	Name of the child (if any).	Sex and condition.		Name of father.	Maiden name of mother.	Occupation of father.	Birthplace of father.	Birthplace of mother.
		Sex.	Living or stillborn.					
Feb. 1	Ellen _____	F.	L.	Robert Zinn.	Agnes Weagandt.	Silk braid manufactur.	Germany.	Germany.
17	Lillian Caroline.	F.	L.	Albert A. Ordway.	Angie E. Crooker.	Farmer.	Epsom.	Fall River, Mass.
March 4	Verna Bama.	F.	L.	Bertel R. Foss.	Lena F. Kimball.	Farmer.	Alton.	Deerfield.
20	Ira Fred.	M.	L.	Myron B. Kimball.	Lizzie E. Clarke.	Farmer.	Deerfield.	Pittsfield.
July 23	Verna Rosilla.	F.	L.	Roland S. Hall.	Olive M. Sullivan.	Shoe manufacturer.	Barrington.	Epsom.
24	Vernon Clyde.	M.	L.	George E. Warren.	Clara E. Brown.	Mechanic.	Epsom.	Gilmanston.
Dec. 15	Guy Vinson.	M.	L.	George V. Pike.	Ethel A. Marden.	Farmer.	Hawkinsville, Ga.	Epsom.
23	Emily _____	F.	L.	Emil Zinn.	Emily Jacobs.	Silk braid manufactur.	Germany.	Germany.
31	George Everett.	M.	L.	George H. Haines.	Margaret D. Waterhouse.	Farmer.	Epsom.	Boston, Mass.

I hereby certify that the above return is correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

M. C. PHILBRICK, *Town Clerk.*

MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF EPSOM FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1911.

Date of marriage.	Place of marriage.	Name and surname of groom and bride.	Residence of each at time of marriage.	Age.	Occupation of groom and bride.	Place of birth of each.	Names of parents.	Birthplace of parents.	Occupation.	Marriage.	Name, residence, and official station of person by whom married.
Feb. 15	Blackstone, Mass.	Clarence W. Burnham.	Epsom.	24	Mechanic.	Epsom.	George H. Burnham.	Epsom.	Lumber manuf'r.	1	1 Rev. Alex. Wiswall, Uxbridge, Mass.
		Gertrude G. Brown.	Blackstone, Mass.	20	Home.	Manchester, Eng.	Flora E. Marden.	Manchester, Eng.	Tailor.	1	
April 19	Chichester	Arthur Sherburne.	Epsom.	23	Farmer.	Epsom.	Martha Brown.	Manchester, Eng.	Tailor.	1	
		Hazel V. Bailey.	Chichester.	19	Home.	Pittsfield.	William E. Sherburne.	Northwood.	Shoemaker.	1	1 Rev. George Skinner, Chichester.
May 23	Epsom.	Fred C. Lear.	Epsom.	41	Dairyman.	Epsom.	Clara A. Alton.	Portsmouth.	Home.	1	
		Frances Bennett.	Manchester.	28	Dressmaker.	England.	George A. Bailey.	Chichester.	Farmer.	2	2 Rev. Augustus R. Toothacre, Epsom.
June 23	Chichester	Charles H. Palmer.	Epsom.	52	Farmer.	Derry.	Nellie Ayr.	Chichester.	Shoemaker.	1	
		Ida M. Hamilton.	Hudson.	26	Home.	Londonderry.	Joseph C. Lear.	Epsom.	Home.	2	2 Rev. George Skinner, Chichester.
July 29	Epsom.	Arthur C. Locke.	Epsom.	36	Farmer.	Epsom.	Henry Bennett.	England.	Farmer.	1	
		Carrie L. Locke.	Warner.	45	Home.	Manchester.	Elizabeth A. Woodrose.	Derry.	Home.	2	2 Rev. Augustus R. Toothacre, Epsom.
							Charles H. Palmer.	Hudson.	Farmer.	2	
							George W. Durant.	Hampstead.	Farmer.	1	1 Rev. Augustus R. Toothacre, Epsom.
							Georgiana F. Lund.	Hollis.	Home.	2	
							Dexter Locke.	Epsom.	Farmer.	2	
							Sarah Page.	Epsom.	Home.	2	
							George W. Francis.	Boston, Mass.	Carpenter.	2	
							Fannie W. Jones.	Manchester.	Home.	2	

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DEATHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF EPSOM FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1911.

Date of death.	Name and surname of deceased.	Age.			Place of birth.	Condition.		Occupation.	Place of birth.		Name of father.	Maiden name of mother.
		Years.	Months.	Days.		Sex.	Sing., mar., or widow.		Father.	Mother.		
Feb. 12	Joseph P. Locke.	68	7	13	Epsom.	M.	W.	Shoemaker.	Epsom.	Epsom.	Simeon P. Locke.	Sally B. Cass.
13	Sarah M. Mason.	67	3	19	Epsom.	F.	W.	Home.	Chichester.	Epsom.	Benjamin Lake.	Mary L. Saturly.
22	Jackson C. Philbrick.	75	9	18	Allenstown.	M.	M.	Carpenter.	Rye.	Epsom.	Simeon Philbrick.	Olive W. Bickford.
April 24	Nellie Spurlin.	49	7	30	Epsom.	F.	M.	Home.	Allenstown.	Stratford.	Samuel T. Bickford.	Sarah M. Foss.
26	Elvira A. Fowler.	84	3	16	Epsom.	F.	W.	Home.	Epsom.	Chichester.	James Critchett.	Sally Green.
May 19	Benjamin Fowler.	77	1	21	Epsom.	M.	W.	Farmer.	Epsom.	Penbrooke.	Simon Fowler.	Lucinda Holt.
24	Joseph W. Lamprey.	78	10	13	Dead River, Me.	M.	M.	Blacksmith.	Epsom.	Chichester.	Abel Lamprey.	—
June 24	William P. Babb.	83	7	15	Epsom.	M.	W.	Farmer.	Epsom.	Chichester.	John Babb.	Salome Rand.
Sept. 14	John H. Dolbeer.	72	7	6	Epsom.	M.	M.	Farmer.	Epsom.	Epsom.	Joseph S. Dolbeer.	Polly Cate.
22	Benjamin Freeze.	85	4	20	Epsom.	M.	S.	None.	Epsom.	Epsom.	Benjamin Freeze.	Sarah Sanders.
Oct. 22	James L. Wells.	74	7	4	Epsom.	M.	W.	Farmer.	Epsom.	Epsom.	Samuel Wells.	Harriet Wilcome.
Dec. 24	Charles A. Yeaton.	64	2	13	Epsom.	M.	W.	Farmer.	Epsom.	Epsom.	Warren Yeaton.	Catherine A. Yeaton.
26	David G. Emerson.	73	5	27	Northwood.	M.	W.	Shoemaker.	Northwood.	Pittsfield.	Richard F. Emerson.	Della Goss.
28	Lucian Heath.	75	10	10	Orange.	M.	M.	Farmer.	Hampstead.	Hampstead.	Reuben Heath.	Eliza Chase.

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BROUGHT TO EPSOM FOR INTERMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1911.

Date of death.	Name and surname of deceased.	Age.			Place of birth.	Condition.		Occupation.	Place of birth.		Name of father.	Maiden name mother.
		Years.	Months.	Days.		Sex.	Sing. or widow.		Father.	Mother.		
Feb. 27	Mandana J. George.	68	1	8	Lowell, Mass.	F.	W.	Home.	Epsom.	Winslow, Me.	John Clarke.	Rebecca Withee.
Mar. 31	Sarah Elsie Chesley.	57	4	18	Epsom.	F.	M.	Home.	Londonderry.	Epsom.	Robert Coffan.	Sarah D. Yeaton.
June 10	Joseph A. Clough.	88	7	25	Chichester.	M.	W.	Home.	Chichester.	Chichester.	David Hilliard.	Annie Moses.
Aug. 16	Mary A. Yeaton.	92	6	11	Chichester.	F.	S.	Home.	Chichester.	Epsom.	Frank Chapman.	Emma Cass.
Aug. 16	Lois Emma Chapman.	4	4	28	Woburn, Mass.	F.	W.	Farmer.	Deerfield.	Pembroke.	Stephen Baker.	Hephzibah Kelley.
Sept. 22	Rufus Baker.	83	2	24	Pembroke.	M.	W.	Home.	Canada.	Canada.	Moses Lavoie.	Mary F. Lafant.
Nov. 21	Moses Lavoie.	72	1	1	Canada.	M.	W.	Home.	Canada.	Canada.	Moses Lavoie.	Mary F. Lafant.
Dec. 13	Martha A. Dowst.	79			Deerfield.	F.	W.	Home.	Deerfield.	Deerfield.	Moses Lavoie.	Mary F. Lafant.

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